

ABSTRACT

5 The inventive drinking vessels are prepared by stretch blow-molding a
preform and exhibit increased Rigidity as well as elevated, preferably relatively
uniform crystallinity. A preferred method of making blow-molded stackable
drinking vessels includes expanding a preform both axially and radially to make
an intermediate article with a neck, a transition portion and a tumbler portion. The
10 transition portion and neck are severed from the tumbler which is then fortified
around its upper aperture which is larger than its base.